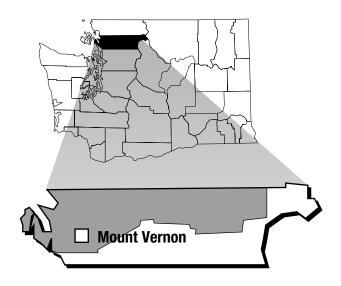
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## **System Snapshot**

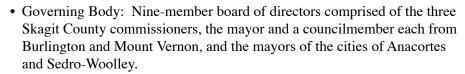
• Operating Name: Skagit Transit (SKAT)

• Service Area: Generally northern three-quarters of Skagit County

• Congressional District: 2

• Legislative Districts: 10, 39, and 40

• Type of Government: Public Transportation Benefit Area

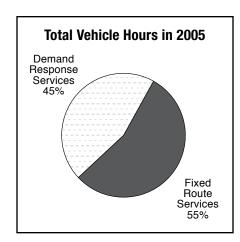


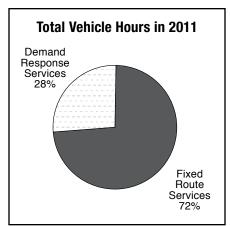
• Tax Authorized: 0.2 percent sales and use tax approved in November 1992.

• Types of Service: Nine fixed routes, one flex route and Dial-A-Ride (Paratransit) service.

• Days of Service: Weekdays, between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.; Saturdays, between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. for fixed route and Dial-A-Ride (Paratransit) service; and Sundays, between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. for Dial-A-Ride (Paratransit) service only.

• Base Fare: \$.50 per boarding for fixed routes and Dial-A-Ride (Paratransit).





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# **Current Operations**

SKAT operates fixed route service five days a week as follows:

- Four rural intercity routes (Mount Vernon/Concrete, Burlington/Anacortes, Mount Vernon/Burlington/Sedro Woolley, and Mount Vernon/LaConner).
- Five small city local routes (four serving Mount Vernon/Burlington and one serving Anacortes).
- One inter-county route (Mount Vernon/Bellingham).

SKAT also operates fixed route service on Saturdays as follows:

- One rural intercity route (Mount Vernon/Burlington/Sedro Woolley).
- Four small city local routes (three serving Mount Vernon/Burlington and one serving Anacortes).

SKAT operates pocket service (demand response service to the nearest fixed route transfer point) in the following communities one day a week between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.:

- LaConner and South Fidalgo Island
- Day Creek and Clear Lake
- Blanchard, Bow, and Edison
- Alger, Prairie, and Hoogdal
- Concrete, Lyman, and Hamilton

SKAT also provides Dial-A-Ride (Paratransit) services for persons with disabilities seven days a week.

#### **Revenue Service Vehicles**

Fixed Route – 18 total, all wheelchair accessible and equipped with bicycle racks, model years ranging from 1994 to 2005.

Paratransit – 13 total, all wheelchair accessible, model years ranging from 1998 to 2004.

Vanpools -21 total, model years ranging from 1997 to 2005.

#### **Facilities**

SKAT owns a 16,500-square foot building in Burlington that houses the administration, maintenance, and operation functions. The facility was constructed in 1998. SKAT also took over ownership of a multimodal station in Mount Vernon as of July 1, 2005.

SKAT has two transfer centers: one in Mount Vernon and one in Anacortes. In addition, SKAT has 22 bus shelters at key loading/unloading points.

SKAT operates a park and ride lot at March Point on Fidalgo Island and serves WSDOT's park and ride lots at George Hopper Road at I-5 in Burlington, Cook Road at Hwy 99 in Burlington, and Second and Kincaid Streets in Mount Vernon.



#### **Intermodal Connections**

SKAT provides service to the Amtrak depot in Mount Vernon, the Greyhound station, and transfer points for the Bellingham/Sea-Tac Airporter.

#### **2005 Achievements**

- Restored fixed route Saturday service.
- Expanded Dial-A-Ride (Paratransit) service.
- Took over ownership of Skagit Station from the City of Mount Vernon.
- Began inter-county service with Island and Whatcom Counties.
- Expanded hours of service for fixed route.

### 2006 Objectives

- Connect to Snohomish County at Everett Station.
- Install new fare collection system that accepts cash and coin.
- Expand vanpool program by 17 vans.
- Partner with WSDOT on a north-end transfer station and park and ride.



### **Long-range Plans (2007 through 2011)**

- Restore fixed route Sunday service.
- Expand hours of service for fixed route and Dial-A-Ride (Paratransit).
- Continue to seek operating assistance for fixed route and Dial-A-Ride (Paratransit) services.
- Establish a north-end transfer station.
- Continue the growth of the vanpool program.
- Update the radio communication system.
- Partner with WSDOT on South Mt. Vernon park and ride.
- Expand hours of service for Snohomish, Whatcom, and Island Counties.

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### **Skagit Transit**

	2003	2004	2005	% Change	2006	2007	2008	2011
Annual Operating Information				0.050/				
Service Area Population	95,605	93,640	96,779	3.35%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Fixed Route Services								
Revenue Vehicle Hours	23,152	22,985	25,191	9.60%	30,000	34,000	46,000	69,000
Total Vehicle Hours	24,815	25,587	28,046	9.61%	34,000	38,000	52,000	78,000
Revenue Vehicle Miles	370,770	376,092	418,015	11.15%	458,000	538,000	723,000	857,000
Total Vehicle Miles	404,143	398,411	444,752	11.63%	485,000	570,000	766,000	908,000
Passenger Trips	232,624	234,015	271,499	16.02%	297,000	349,000	470,000	557,000
Diesel Fuel Consumed (gallons)	60,622	64,972	71,396	9.89%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Fatalities	0	0	0	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Reportable Injuries	1	2	11	450.00%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Collisions	5	4	7	75.00%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Employees FTEs	12.9	14.6	18.7	28.08%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Operating Expenses	\$1,892,668	\$1,879,839	\$2,197,718	16.91%	\$2,708,680	<i>\$3,288,649</i>	\$4,749,621	\$6,020,916
Farebox Revenues	\$79,224	\$84,205	\$94,623	12.37%	\$79,834	\$103,807	\$155,711	\$207,251
Demand Response Services								
Revenue Vehicle Hours	14,335	19,728	19,415	-1.59%	19,415	20,000	27,000	27,000
Total Vehicle Hours	16,751	21,902	22,816	4.17%	22,816	23,000	31,000	31,000
Revenue Vehicle Miles	174,527	269,083	278,651	3.56%	279,000	288,000	389,000	389,000
Total Vehicle Miles	211,431	269,083	278,651	3.56%	279,000	288,000	389,000	389,000
Passenger Trips	34,836	43,204	46,641	7.96%	47,000	48,000	65,000	65,000
Diesel Fuel Consumed (gallons)	20,328	27,501	30,222	9.89%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Gasoline Fuel Consumed (gallons)	3,755	2,610	0	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Fatalities	0	0	0	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Reportable Injuries	0	3	14	366.67%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Collisions	4	2	10	400.00%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Employees FTEs	9.5	12.7	13.6	7.09%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Operating Expenses	\$1,217,220	\$1,795,648	\$1,878,404	4.61%	\$2,091,640	\$2,216,697	\$3,081,642	\$3,567,386
Farebox Revenues	\$11,838	\$13,446	\$15,110	12.37%	\$12,996	\$16,899	\$25,348	\$33,739

## **Skagit Transit**

	2003	2004	2005	% Change	2006	2007	2008	2011
Vanpooling Services								
Revenue Vehicle Miles	153,874	188,377	245,088	30.11%	504,000	604,800	725,760	1,254,113
Total Vehicle Miles	153,874	188,377	245,088	30.11%	504,000	604,800	725,760	1,254,113
Passenger Trips	36,238	21,121	38,285	81.27%	78,729	94,475	113,370	195,904
Vanpool Fleet Size	6	10	24	140.00%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Vans in Operation	6	7	20	185.71%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Diesel Fuel Consumed (gallons)	9,051	11,996	0	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Gasoline Fuel Consumed (gallons)	0	0	17,054	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Fatalities	0	0	0	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Reportable Injuries	0	0	0	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Collisions	0	1	2	100.00%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Employees FTEs	.0	.3	.5	66.67%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Operating Expenses	\$183,663	\$145,568	\$196,931	35.28%	\$267,199	\$302,012	\$339,639	\$471,405
Vanpooling Revenue	\$44,226	\$73,230	\$86,656	18.33%	\$160,740	\$191,384	\$223,867	\$333,485



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	2003	2004	2005	% Change	2006	2007	2008	2011
Annual Revenues						4		4
Sales Tax	\$3,731,758	\$4,024,875	\$4,461,544	10.85%	\$4,329,500	\$7,049,240	\$7,613,179	\$9,768,013
Farebox Revenues	\$91,062	\$97,651	\$109,733	12.37%	\$92,830	\$120,706	\$181,059	\$240,990
Vanpooling Revenue	\$44,226	\$73,230	\$86,656	18.33%	\$160,740	\$191,384	\$223,867	\$333,485
Federal Section 5307 Operating	\$0	\$348,482	\$1,151,500	230.43%	\$794,000	\$817,820	<i>\$842,355</i>	<i>\$920,465</i>
Federal Section 5311 Operating	\$0	\$97,124	\$109,114	12.35%	<i>\$178,561</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>
Other Federal Operating	\$51,447	\$43,838	\$20,290	-53.72%	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>
State Special Needs Grants	\$0	\$101,332	\$53,593	-47.11%	\$0	\$0	<i>\$0</i>	\$0
Other State Operating Grants	\$53,323	\$0	\$112,758	N.A.	\$475,241	\$605,170	\$635,429	\$1,209,083
Other	\$182,682	\$221,690	\$237,375	7.07%	\$186,149	\$234,568	\$247,525	\$291,036
Total	\$4,154,498	\$5,008,222	\$6,342,563	26.64%	\$6,217,021	\$9,018,888	\$9,743,414	\$12,763,072
Annual Operating Expenses								
Annual Operating Expenses	\$3,293,551	\$3,821,055	\$4,273,053	11.83%	\$5,067,519	\$5,807,358	\$8,170,902	\$10,059,707
Total	\$3,293,551	\$3,821,055	\$4,273,053	11.83%	\$5,067,519	\$5,807,358	\$8,170,902	\$10,059,707
Annual Capital Purchase Obligations								
Federal Section 5309 Capital Grants	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$1,275,000	\$0	<i>\$0</i>	\$0
Federal Section 5311 Capital Grants	\$0	\$8,838	\$66,192		\$0	\$0	<i>\$0</i>	\$0
State Vanpool Grants	\$0	\$0	\$104,000		\$312,000	\$105,000	\$110,250	\$127,628
Local Funds	\$0	\$568,936	\$0		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Reserve Funds	\$0	\$0	\$1,319,728		\$1,942,800	\$1,139,250	\$2,251,857	\$1,186,941
Other	\$0	\$0	\$10,000		\$0	\$300,000	\$5,500,000	\$0
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$831,500	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$577,774	\$1,499,920	159.60%	\$3,529,800	\$2,375,750	\$7,862,107	\$1,314,569
Ending Balances, December 31								
Unrestricted Cash and Investments	\$1,603,958	\$2,497,325	\$4,399,925	76.19%	\$4,813,787	\$5,887,931	\$4,714,724	\$2,225,991
Operating Reserve	\$826,840	\$836,944	\$4,399,923 \$862,432	3.05%	\$4,613,767 \$881.472	\$968,654	\$4,714,724 \$1,365,047	\$2,225,991 \$1,437,242
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Capital Reserve Funds	\$3,705,013	\$3,747,116	\$3,136,268		\$1,910,068 \$7,605,227	\$1,989,522	\$2,086,991	\$7,357,733
Total	\$6,135,811	\$7,081,385	\$8,398,625	18.60%	\$7,605,327	\$8,846,107	\$8,166,762	\$11,020,966

# **Performance Measures for 2005 Operations**

	Fixed Rou	ıte Services	Demand Response Services		
	Skagit	Small City	Skagit	Small City	
	Transit	Averages	Transit	Averages	
Fares/Operating Cost	4.31%	7.42%	.80%	2.35%	
Operating Cost/Passenger Trip	\$8.09	\$4.97	\$40.27	\$23.06	
Operating Cost/Revenue Vehicle Mile	\$5.26	\$6.04	\$6.74	\$4.95	
Operating Cost/Revenue Vehicle Hour	\$87.24	\$93.47	\$96.75	\$70.04	
Operating Cost/Total Vehicle Hour	\$78.36	\$86.75	\$82.33	\$61.09	
Revenue Vehicle Hours/Total Vehicle Hour	89.82%	93.14%	85.09%	87.99%	
Revenue Vehicle Hours/FTE	1,347	1,033	1,428	1,123	
Revenue Vehicle Miles/Revenue Vehicle Hour	16.59	15.79	14.35	14.29	
Passenger Trips/Revenue Vehicle Hour	10.8	20.8	2.4	3.2	
Passenger Trips/Revenue Vehicle Mile	0.65	1.37	0.17	0.22	

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